

## United States Department of the Interior

MINERALS MANAGEMENT SERVICE Alaska Outer Continental Shelf Region 949 East 36<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 300 Anchorage, Alaska 99508-4363



JUN 27 2003

Eric West Liberty Team Leader BP Exploration (Alaska), Inc. P.O. Box 196612 Anchorage, Alaska 99519-6612

Dear Mr. West:

BP Exploration (Alaska), Inc. submitted an executed the Liberty Unit Agreement, and initial unit plan of operations, for Federal OCS leases OCS-Y 1650 and OCS-Y 1585, on June 26, 2003.

We consider the proposed area as a logical area for unitization and conclude that this unit will ensure conservation of natural resources, prevention of waste, and protection of correlative rights in accordance with 30 CFR 250.1300. The executed unit agreement is hereby approved and has been assigned unit agreement contract number 7501030001U. The effective date of this agreement is 12:01 a.m. Friday June 27, 2003. Enclosed is a copy of the Certification-Determination, bearing the unit agreement number and the date of the Regional Supervisor, Field Operations approval.

The initial unit plan of operations submitted with the Liberty Unit Agreement dated June 26, 2003, in accordance with Article IX of the unit agreement is approved.

If you have any questions, please contact Douglas Choromanski at (907) 271-6065.

Sincerely,

Regional Supervisor Field Operations

Enclosure

cc: Minerals Revenue Management

R. L. Skillern, BPXA



## **Certification-Determination**

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, approved August 7, 1953, 67 Stat. 462, 43 U.S.C. 1331 et seq., as amended, and delegated to the Regional Supervisor, Field Operations of the Minerals Management Service, I do hereby:

- A. Approve the enclosed Agreement for the Liberty Unit, Beaufort Sea, Alaska.
- B. Certify and determine that the unit plan contemplated in the enclosed Agreement in necessary and in the public interest for the purpose of more properly conserving natural resources, prevention of waste and protection of correlative rights, including federal royalty interests.

6/27/03 Date

Regional Supervisor, Field Operations

Alaska OCS Region

Contract: No. 7501030001U

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